

CLAIMS

1. A topical composition comprising:

- 5 a) from 0.1% to 10% of a organic particulate material having a refractive index of from 1.3 to 1.7, the particulate material being dispersed in the composition and having a volume average particle size in the range of from about 10 to about 30  $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- b) from about 0.05% to about 2.5% by weight of a green, platelet-type interference pigment material having a  $\text{TiO}_2$  layer thickness of from about 120nm to about 160nm or a whole number multiple thereof;
- 10 c) from about 0% to about 3% of an inorganic matting agent; and
- d) a dermatologically acceptable, topical carrier.

2. The composition of Claim 1 wherein the inorganic matting agent is present at a level of from about 0.1 to about 2.5%, preferably from about 0.25 to 2%.

3. The composition of [Claim 1 or] Claim 2 wherein the inorganic matting agent is a silicone coated titanium dioxide.

4. The composition of [<sup>Claim 1</sup>any preceding claim] wherein the inorganic matting agent is a titanium dioxide in its anatase form.

5. The composition of [<sup>Claim 1</sup>any preceding claim] wherein the composition further comprises a safe and effective amount of an active effective for chronically regulating skin condition selected from Vitamin B3 compounds, retinoids, and mixtures thereof.

6. The composition of Claim 5 wherein the active is selected from niacinamide, retinol esters, and mixtures thereof.

7. The composition of Claim 6 wherein the active is niacinamide.

8. The composition of [<sup>Claim 7</sup>any of Claims 5 to 7] which comprises from 0.1% to 15%, preferably from 0.3% to 10%, more preferably from 1 to 5% of the active.

9. The composition of [<sup>Claim 1</sup>any preceding claim] wherein the particles of the organic particulate material are porous particles.

10. The composition of [<sup>Claim 1</sup>any preceding claim] wherein the particles of the organic particulate material are porous, nylon particles having a volume average particle size in the range of from about 15 to about 25  $\mu\text{m}$ .

11. The composition of <sup>Claim 1</sup>[any preceding claim] which comprises from 0.3% to 5%<sub>2</sub>, preferably from 0.5% to 2%<sub>2</sub> of the organic particulate material.
12. The composition of <sup>Claim 1</sup>[any preceding claim] wherein the organic particulate material has a refractive index of from 1.35 to 1.6.
13. The composition of <sup>Claim 1</sup>[any preceding claim] which is an oil-in-water emulsion.
14. A cosmetic method of regulating skin condition comprising topically applying the composition of <sup>Claim 1</sup>[any preceding claim]
15. A method of providing a more even skin tone comprising topically applying the composition of <sup>Claim 1</sup>[any preceding claim]
16. A method according to <sup>Claim 1</sup>[Claim 14 or Claim 15] wherein the composition is applied to non-facial parts of the body.
17. A method according to Claim 16 wherein the composition is applied to the hands.